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E.O. 12065: RDS 1-3, 6/24/02 (VELIOTES, NICHOLAS A)
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SUBJECT: LEBANON: LETTER TO FAHD FROM THE PRESIDENT

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2. PLEASE FORWARD FOLLOWING LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO KING FAHD IMMEDIATELY.

3. BEGIN TEXT:

YOUR MAJESTY:

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I DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE CANDID ADVICE YOU GAVE ME IN YOUR LETTERS OF JUNE 17 (25 SHA'BAN), AND JUNE 21. THERE IS NO DOUBT BUT THAT OUR OBJECTIVES FOR LEBANON ARE CONSISTENT NOT ONLY WITH YOUR OWN BUT WITH THE VIEWS OF THE MAJORITY OF LEBANESE THEMSELVES. WE BOTH SEEK TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN THE CENTRAL AUTHORITY OF THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT. HAVING WORKED TOGETHER FOR OVER A YEAR NOW TO OBTAIN THIS OBJECTIVE, IT IS CRUCIAL THAT OUR NATIONS CONTINUE AND STRENGTHEN THAT COOPERATION.

BASED ON AMBASSADOR HABIB'S DISCUSSIONS THUS FAR THERE IS CLEAR CONSENSUS AMONG KEY POLITICAL LEADERS OF LEBANON

REGARDING THE OUTLINES OF A SOLUTION TO THEIR PROBLEMS. THEIR PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE IS TO PERMIT THE LEBANESE TO DEVELOP THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT POLITICAL DYNAMIC. THEIR BELIEF IS ALSO STRONG THAT THE PLO AS WELL AS THE FACTIONAL ARMIES SHOULD REACH AGREEMENT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON TO TURN OVER ALL WEAPONS TO LEBANON'S GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY AND THAT THE PLO LEADERSHIP, AND SUCH OTHERS AS MAY WISH TO JOIN THEM, DEPART LEBANON. SIMULTANEOUSLY UPON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUCH AN AGREEMENT ISRAELI FORCES IN THE BEIRUT AREA SHOULD DISENGAGE FROM THEIR PRESENT POSITIONS. AS A FIRST STEP, SECURITY THROUGHOUT BEIRUT MUST BE PROVIDED BY LEBANON'S GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY. THE LEBANESE FAVOR AS WELL THE DEPLOYMENT OF UNITED NATIONS OBSERVERS TO ASSIST IN THESE STEPS.

THE UNITED STATES, YOUR MAJESTY, IS AT THIS MOMENT WORKING TO FORWARD THESE GOALS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON. WE ARE DOING SO THROUGH AMBASSADOR HABIB'S MISSION IN BEIRUT, AND NOW AT THE UNITED NATIONS. LET ME ASSURE YOU CATEGORICALLY THAT WE ARE NOT, IN THIS EFFORT, ADVOCATING ISRAELI INTERESTS. OUR OBJECTIVE IS A FULLY SOVEREIGN LEBANON, INDEPENDENT, AND EXERCISING AUTHORITY THROUGHOUT ITS TERRITORY.

WE HOPE THAT BY BEGINNING THE PROCESS OF DISARMING THE PLO AND INTEGRATING FACTIONAL ARMIES, CONDITIONS CAN BE ESTABLISHED FOR THE PHASED WITHDRAWAL OF OUTSIDE FORCES SO THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENT FOR

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LEBANESE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS CAN BE MET AND A STRONG GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHED.

AS YOU ARE AWARE, YOUR MAJESTY, AMBASSADOR HABIB ON MY BEHALF HAS BEEN WORKING TIRELESSLY IN AN EFFORT TO END THE FIGHTING IN AND AROUND BEIRUT AND TO FORESTALL AN EVEN GREATER TRAGEDY THAN HAS ALREADY OCCURRED. I HAVE TAKEN CAREFUL NOTE OF YOUR SUGGESTIONS RELATING TO THIS URGENT TASK. I HAVE DISCUSSED PERSONALLY WITH PRIME MINISTER BEGIN THE SEVERAL CRUCIAL ISSUES REQUIRING PROMPT RESOLUTION. A CEASE-FIRE, FOR WHICH YOU SO FERVENTLY CALLED, AND WHICH WE HAVE URGED UPON ISRAEL HAS BEEN IN EFFECT SINCE LATE AFTERNOON JUNE 25. THE CONTINUATION OF THIS IS ESSENTIAL TO PROGRESS TOWARD THE OBJECTIVES LEBANON SEEKS.

YOUR MAJESTY, I HOPE YOU WILL DO WHAT YOU CAN TO HELP THE LEBANESE AUTHORITIES BRING ABOUT A RESOLUTION TO THE IMMEDIATE PROBLEM FACING WEST BEIRUT IN AN EXPEDITIOUS AND HONORABLE WAY FOR ALL INVOLVED AND ONE WHICH PROMOTES RESTORED LEBANESE AUTHORITY THROUGHOUT THE

COUNTRY AND ENABLES A RETURN TO LEBANON AS A FULLY SOVERIGN MEMBER OF THE ARAB WORLD. LET US CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER TO THIS NOBLE END.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN WE HAVE MOVED BEYOND THE CRISIS OF THE MOMENT AND CAN DEAL UNDER LESS TRAGIC CIRCUMSTANCES WITH THE ROOT CAUSE OF SUCH CONFLICTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THE NEED TO ACHIEVE A JUST AND LASTING PEACE THAT ADDRESSES THE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

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